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U.S. Total.....	1,496,814	1,395,973	1,105,817	793,809	182,449	119,105	10,454	290,156	276,893	13,263	100,841
Eastern Seaboard.....	293,454	250,293	238,071	191,286	4,363	32,168	10,254	12,222	183	12,039	43,161
Connecticut.....	7,100	7,100	5,800	5,150	0	0	650	1,300	0	1,300	0
Tobacco Valley.....	7,100	7,100	5,800	5,150	0	0	650	1,300	0	1,300	0
Delaware.....	2,857	1,391	1,391	350	0	914	127	0	0	0	1,466
Florida.....	30,411	26,676	23,959	20,524	1,427	1,108	900	2,717	0	2,717	3,735
Central Ridge.....	9,695	7,590	7,007	6,275	232	340	160	583	0	583	2,105
Indian River.....	4,320	4,300	3,900	3,900	0	0	0	400	0	400	20
Lower East Coast.....	8,026	7,706	6,155	3,567	1,115	763	710	1,551	0	1,551	320
North Central.....	1,325	1,325	1,294	1,219	75	0	0	31	0	31	0
Tampa Bay.....	5,395	4,105	3,953	3,913	5	5	30	152	0	152	1,290
Other Areas.....	1,650	1,650	1,650	1,650	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia.....	39,179	36,178	35,995	35,965	30	0	0	183	183	0	3,001
Southeast.....	21,345	20,785	20,785	20,785	0	0	0	0	0	0	560
Southwest.....	1,045	995	995	995	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Other Areas.....	16,789	14,398	14,215	14,185	30	0	0	183	183	0	2,391
Maine.....	38,033	37,598	33,430	33,305	120	0	5	4,168	0	4,168	435
Aroostook Potato.....	35,034	35,034	30,934	30,814	120	0	0	4,100	0	4,100	0
Residual.....	2,999	2,564	2,496	2,491	0	0	5	68	0	68	435
Maryland.....	6,722	3,622	3,541	2,732	80	670	59	81	0	81	3,100
Eastern Shore.....	5,711	2,781	2,725	2,087	0	606	32	56	0	56	2,930
Other Areas.....	1,011	841	816	645	80	64	27	25	0	25	170
Massachusetts.....	10,825	10,374	10,054	8,729	43	311	971	320	0	320	451
Connecticut Valley.....	2,051	2,051	1,888	1,208	0	218	462	163	0	163	0
Other Areas.....	8,774	8,323	8,166	7,521	43	93	509	157	0	157	451

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New Hampshire.....	1,525	1,525	1,446	1,371	0	45	30	79	79	79	0
New Jersey.....	13,672	10,067	8,647	2,501	125	2,055	3,966	1,420	0	1,420	3,605
New York.....	52,110	35,452	34,364	14,225	1,699	17,169	1,271	1,088	0	1,088	16,658
Buffalo.....	7,250	3,500	3,500	2,025	200	875	400	0	0	0	3,750
Rochester.....	22,660	12,647	12,173	5,420	420	6,143	190	474	0	474	10,013
Other Areas.....	22,200	19,305	18,691	6,780	1,079	10,151	681	614	0	614	2,895
North Carolina.....	17,210	17,210	17,210	13,445	684	3,081	0	0	0	0	0
Greenville.....	4,000	4,000	4,000	3,750	150	100	0	0	0	0	0
Other Areas.....	13,210	13,210	13,210	9,695	534	2,981	0	0	0	0	0
Pennsylvania.....	22,860	18,565	18,565	12,935	135	3,220	2,275	0	0	0	4,295
South Central.....	11,955	8,575	8,575	6,720	55	835	965	0	0	0	3,380
Other Areas.....	10,905	9,990	9,990	6,215	80	2,385	1,310	0	0	0	915
South Carolina.....	26,050	25,875	25,875	25,875	0	0	0	0	0	0	175
Upper Santee.....	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Areas.....	17,050	16,875	16,875	16,875	0	0	0	0	0	0	175
Vermont.....	1,300	1,300	1,088	1,088	0	0	0	212	0	212	0
Virginia.....	20,550	15,870	15,406	11,956	0	3,450	0	464	0	464	4,680
Eastern Shore-Norfolk..	8,000	6,230	6,230	4,150	0	2,080	0	0	0	0	1,770
Other Areas.....	12,550	9,640	9,176	7,806	0	1,370	0	464	0	464	2,910
West Virginia.....	3,050	1,490	1,300	1,135	20	145	0	190	0	190	1,560
North Central.....	134,623	117,247	113,000	81,064	4,837	26,899	200	4,247	3,439	808	17,376
Illinois.....	2,799	1,884	1,884	1,087	20	777	0	0	0	0	915

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Indiana.....	5,414	2,534	2,218	1,214	0	976	28	316	135	181	2,880
Northeast.....	3,123	1,172	1,018	380	0	638	0	154	4	150	1,951
Other Areas.....	2,291	1,362	1,200	834	0	338	28	162	131	31	929
Kansas.....	10,100	10,100	10,092	8,992	950	150	0	8	8	0	0
Plains.....	10,100	10,100	10,092	8,992	950	150	0	8	8	0	0
Michigan.....	37,110	31,580	29,651	18,643	1,130	9,878	0	1,929	1,568	361	5,530
Bay City.....	4,250	3,750	3,539	2,325	100	1,114	0	211	76	135	500
Benton Harbor.....	12,800	9,800	9,684	3,700	300	5,684	0	116	112	4	3,000
Lansing.....	4,000	3,750	2,900	1,600	0	1,300	0	850	842	8	250
Manistee.....	3,350	3,000	3,000	2,150	250	600	0	0	0	0	350
Muskegon.....	4,610	3,930	3,479	2,869	130	480	0	451	451	0	680
Pontiac.....	5,300	5,050	4,824	3,974	250	600	0	226	12	214	250
Traverse City.....	2,100	1,600	1,525	1,325	100	100	0	75	75	0	500
Other Areas.....	700	700	700	700	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Minnesota.....	7,632	5,274	5,174	3,628	596	950	0	100	100	0	2,358
Southern.....	4,349	3,041	2,941	2,295	221	425	0	100	100	0	1,308
Other Areas.....	3,283	2,233	2,233	1,333	375	525	0	0	0	0	1,050
Missouri.....	42,782	42,782	41,400	33,600	750	7,050	0	1,382	1,382	0	0
Bootheel.....	42,782	42,782	41,400	33,600	750	7,050	0	1,382	1,382	0	0
Nebraska.....	1,330	1,330	1,330	555	135	640	0	0	0	0	0
North Dakota.....	7,385	7,385	7,385	2,752	1,105	3,528	0	0	0	0	0
Ohio.....	10,905	10,045	9,953	7,677	106	1,998	172	92	0	92	860
Northwest.....	2,598	1,978	1,978	800	0	1,178	0	0	0	0	620
Other Areas.....	8,307	8,067	7,975	6,877	106	820	172	92	0	92	240
Wisconsin.....	9,166	4,333	3,913	2,916	45	952	0	420	246	174	4,833
East Central.....	5,456	1,308	1,108	806	0	302	0	200	136	64	4,148
Northeast.....	435	360	259	259	0	0	0	101	51	50	75
Other Areas.....	3,275	2,665	2,546	1,851	45	650	0	119	59	60	610

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South Central	600,431	595,273	455,617	321,268	124,348	10,001	0	139,656	139,240	416	5,158
Alabama.....	39,591	39,391	39,391	39,391	0	0	0	0	0	0	200
Appalachian Plateau.....	3,600	3,400	3,400	3,400	0	0	0	0	0	0	200
Black Belt.....	6,598	6,598	6,598	6,598	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tennessee Valley.....	5,435	5,435	5,435	5,435	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Upper Coastal Plains.....	8,205	8,205	8,205	8,205	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wiregrass.....	3,298	3,298	3,298	3,298	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Areas.....	12,455	12,455	12,455	12,455	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arkansas.....	96,345	95,195	65,512	60,734	1,800	2,978	0	29,683	29,267	416	1,150
Central Mississippi River Delta Cotton.....	6,880	6,880	4,599	4,459	0	140	0	2,281	2,281	0	0
Lower Arkansas River Delta Cotton.....	6,922	6,922	5,620	5,620	0	0	0	1,302	1,302	0	0
St. Francis-Cache River Cotton.....	38,700	38,700	25,959	24,059	950	950	0	12,741	12,741	0	0
Upper Mississippi River Delta Cotton.....	32,643	32,643	19,845	17,345	850	1,650	0	12,798	12,382	416	0
Other Areas.....	11,200	10,050	9,489	9,251	0	238	0	561	561	0	1,150
Kentucky.....	1,550	1,550	1,273	1,258	0	15	0	277	277	0	0
Louisiana.....	25,495	24,125	24,125	24,100	0	25	0	0	0	0	1,370
Mississippi.....	21,210	21,210	21,210	20,007	1,033	170	0	0	0	0	0
Delta.....	14,568	14,568	14,568	13,418	980	170	0	0	0	0	0
Other Areas.....	6,642	6,642	6,642	6,589	53	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oklahoma.....	16,733	16,185	16,185	11,255	2,940	1,990	0	0	0	0	548
Southwestern.....	9,795	9,775	9,775	4,930	2,875	1,970	0	0	0	0	20
Other Areas.....	6,938	6,410	6,410	6,325	65	20	0	0	0	0	528

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Tennessee.....	39,907	39,897	39,234	38,716	260	258	0	663	663	0	10
Northwest.....	12,244	12,244	12,244	12,134	100	10	0	0	0	0	0
Southwest.....	19,860	19,860	19,860	19,860	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Areas.....	7,803	7,793	7,130	6,722	160	248	0	663	663	0	10
Texas.....	359,600	357,720	248,687	125,807	118,315	4,565	0	109,033	109,033	0	1,880
Blacklands.....	3,900	3,900	3,900	3,850	25	25	0	0	0	0	0
Central Texas.....	8,695	8,695	8,678	8,278	400	0	0	17	17	0	0
Cross Timbers.....	15,815	15,815	12,759	4,789	7,830	140	0	3,056	3,056	0	0
East Texas.....	16,005	16,005	15,623	15,623	0	0	0	382	382	0	0
Edwards Plateau.....	21,985	21,985	16,241	11,016	5,225	0	0	5,744	5,744	0	0
High Rolling Plains.....	193,135	192,635	147,535	38,500	104,635	4,400	0	45,100	45,100	0	500
Llano-Post Oak.....	5,025	5,025	2,731	2,731	0	0	0	2,294	2,294	0	0
Lower Rio Grande Valley	22,205	21,750	13,835	13,835	0	0	0	7,915	7,915	0	455
Rio Grande Plains.....	17,725	17,200	11,268	11,268	0	0	0	5,932	5,932	0	525
Trans-Pecos.....	42,845	42,725	4,320	4,320	0	0	0	38,405	38,405	0	120
Upper Coastal.....	4,900	4,650	4,650	4,650	0	0	0	0	0	0	250
Other Areas.....	7,365	7,335	7,147	6,947	200	0	0	188	188	0	30
Western.....	468,306	433,160	299,129	200,191	48,901	50,037	0	134,031	134,031	0	35,146
Arizona.....	49,676	49,421	31,873	16,542	3,015	12,316	0	17,548	17,548	0	255
Maricopa.....	18,875	18,775	12,508	8,715	1,000	2,793	0	6,267	6,267	0	100
Pinal.....	15,600	15,600	12,023	4,600	650	6,773	0	3,577	3,577	0	0
Yuma.....	8,000	8,000	1,500	1,000	200	300	0	6,500	6,500	0	0
Other Areas.....	7,201	7,046	5,842	2,227	1,165	2,450	0	1,204	1,204	0	155
California.....	260,450	260,450	166,350	124,050	31,850	10,450	0	94,100	94,100	0	INA
Central Coast.....	41,800	41,800	25,000	18,800	5,400	800	0	16,800	16,800	0	INA
Desert.....	19,400	19,400	4,800	3,100	1,400	300	0	14,600	14,600	0	INA
North Coast.....	8,650	8,650	6,750	4,250	1,950	550	0	1,900	1,900	0	INA
Sacramento Valley.....	32,500	32,500	16,300	11,000	3,900	1,400	0	16,200	16,200	0	INA

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California (Cont.)											INA
San Joaquin Valley.....	122,600	122,600	97,200	73,300	17,700	6,200	0	25,400	25,400	0	INA
South Coast.....	35,500	35,500	16,300	13,600	1,500	1,200	0	19,200	19,200	0	
Colorado.....	23,453	17,951	17,542	9,284	2,285	5,973	0	409	409	0	5,502
Northern Colorado.....	10,890	7,053	7,022	3,736	600	2,686	0	31	31	0	3,837
Other Areas.....	12,563	10,898	10,520	5,548	1,685	3,287	0	378	378	0	1,665
Idaho.....	22,543	20,130	20,130	12,405	450	7,275	0	0	0	0	2,413
Eastern.....	9,300	8,750	8,750	4,790	135	3,825	0	0	0	0	550
South Central.....	9,348	9,145	9,145	5,970	200	2,975	0	0	0	0	203
Other Areas.....	3,895	2,235	2,235	1,645	115	475	0	0	0	0	1,660
Montana.....	6,150	6,150	6,150	2,175	1,575	2,400	0	0	0	0	0
Southern Sugar Beet.....	1,620	1,620	1,620	495	635	490	0	0	0	0	0
Other Areas.....	4,530	4,530	4,530	1,680	940	1,910	0	0	0	0	0
Nevada.....	520	520	520	160	120	240	0	0	0	0	0
New Mexico.....	26,845	26,816	6,111	3,833	1,230	1,048	0	20,705	20,705	0	29
Artesia.....	3,202	3,202	250	175	0	75	0	2,952	2,952	0	0
Carlsbad.....	1,925	1,925	380	380	0	0	0	1,545	1,545	0	0
Hobbs.....	3,813	3,813	785	225	35	525	0	3,028	3,028	0	0
Las Cruces.....	9,527	9,498	1,180	1,015	75	90	0	8,318	8,318	0	29
Roswell.....	4,735	4,735	1,600	615	785	200	0	3,135	3,135	0	0
Silver City.....	1,169	1,169	10	10	0	0	0	1,159	1,159	0	0
Other Areas.....	2,474	2,474	1,906	1,413	335	158	0	568	568	0	0

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Oregon.....	21,516	13,326	13,090	8,935	1,545	2,610	0	236	236	0	8,190
Willamette Valley.....	11,360	5,770	5,770	5,400	160	210	0	0	0	0	5,590
Other Areas.....	10,156	7,556	7,320	3,535	1,385	2,400	0	236	236	0	2,600
Utah.....	9,465	7,495	7,118	6,078	115	925	0	377	377	0	1,970
Washington.....	44,938	28,846	28,205	15,299	6,491	6,415	0	641	641	0	16,092
North Central.....	13,521	9,471	9,050	2,630	4,005	2,415	0	421	421	0	4,050
North Western.....	2,346	1,304	1,145	1,112	0	33	0	159	159	0	1,042
South Central.....	19,800	12,600	12,580	7,580	1,800	3,200	0	20	20	0	7,200
West Central.....	2,510	1,060	1,019	943	55	21	0	41	41	0	1,450
Other Areas.....	6,761	4,411	4,411	3,034	631	746	0	0	0	0	2,350
Wyoming.....	2,750	2,055	2,040	1,430	225	385	0	15	15	0	695

1/ Agricultural areas selected for inclusion are those areas in which a peak of at least 10,000 seasonal hired workers or 1,000 foreign workers was reached in 1954 or 1955 as reported in In-Season Farm Labor Reports, ES-223. Data for each area satisfying these criteria are presented monthly in this appendix. However, areas are omitted during months for which they are not required to submit ES-223 reports. Such reports are not required for periods in which fewer than 500 seasonal hired farm workers are employed unless higher employment will be resumed after a "lay-by" period, foreign workers are employed, or specified shortages or surpluses of seasonal hired farm workers exist.